

B-3407 - B-3418
402-466 E. Cross St. (North side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

c.1845 - 1907

The north side of Cross St. east of Riverside Ave. is improved by a variety of building types. The earliest houses on the block, a group of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses built by several different builders in the 1840's and early 1850's, is located in the middle of the block at 430-450 E. Cross St. To the east of this group of houses, there is a small, one story, gable-roofed brick church, built in 1873 for the congregation of the Sailors' Union Bethel, a group of seamen who had formerly worshipped on the William Penn, an old clipper ship berthed at the Lee St. wharf. At the far eastern end of the block, near Covington St., there are several two and three story, simple brick structures built in the 1870's or earlier, which were formerly owned by the Rossmarck Brewery which operated a tavern on the site. At the western end of the block, near Riverside Ave., there are two distinct groups of late Victorian-style houses. The first group, 402-408 E. Cross St., is a group of two story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built by James F. Morgan in the late 1880's as part of his development of the adjoining section of Riverside Ave. At 410-420 E. Cross St. there is a row of two story, two bay wide brown brick houses with shed roofs and simple sheet metal bracketed cornices, built by Walter Hampson in 1907. This latter group, along with similar rows built by Hampson directly north of this row on Grindall and Hamburg Streets, are the last houses to be built in the Federal Hill area.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

460-462 E. Cross St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
___ STRUCTURE
___ SITE
___ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
___ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___ IN PROCESS
___ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
___ UNOCCUPIED
___ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
___ YES: UNRESTRICTED
___ NO

PRESENT USE

___ AGRICULTURE
☒ COMMERCIAL
___ EDUCATIONAL
___ ENTERTAINMENT
___ GOVERNMENT
___ INDUSTRIAL
___ MILITARY
___ MUSEUM
___ PARK
___ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
___ RELIGIOUS
___ SCIENTIFIC
___ TRANSPORTATION
___ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This pair of houses was built in the 1850's, contemporaneously with the gable roofed houses built to the west between 430 and 450 E. Cross St. 460 E. Cross St. was originally three stories in height, but the present third story is a modern addition. The buildings today serve as a combined office.

460 Cross St. is three stories in height; 462 Cross St. is two stories in height. The houses are each about 14' wide and occupy lots 80' deep. They have a joint one story high, two bay deep rear addition with a shed roof sloping sharply to the rear and then a joint one story high, two bay deep later addition. The houses are constructed in running bond. 460 Cross St. has a flat shed roof with no cornice; 462 Cross St. has a low-pitched gable roof. 460 Cross St. has a single hooded chimney located along the west side of the new, third floor section.

At 460 Cross St. the door and window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums. The sills are wood. At 462 Cross St. the door and window openings have splayed brick lintels and wood sills. All of the window openings are filled with new 6/6 double hung sash. Both houses have late Victorian glass and panel doors set beneath single light transoms. The lower edge of the transom area is decorated with a row of cut-work scallops. The houses sit on fairly high basements, the entrances being reached by three new metal steps each. Each house has a rectangular basement opening located beneath the first floor window.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES	c. 1851-1855	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	Charles and John K. Adams
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 440-442 E. Cross St.

The three story, gable-roofed house that was originally on this site is of interest as having been sold by the Adams brothers to Christian Rossmarck, who operated a large brewery across the street on the site of what is now Southern High School. Rossmarck sold the house in 1865 to a Frederick Ebert, a laborer, who lived here in the 1870's.¹

¹ Baltimore City Land Records, Liber ED 79, Folio 441; AM 282, Folio 11; Baltimore City Directory, 1864, 1868-69, 1871

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 34'9" x 80'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles4/79

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

1745 Circle Rd.

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

RuxtonMaryland 21204

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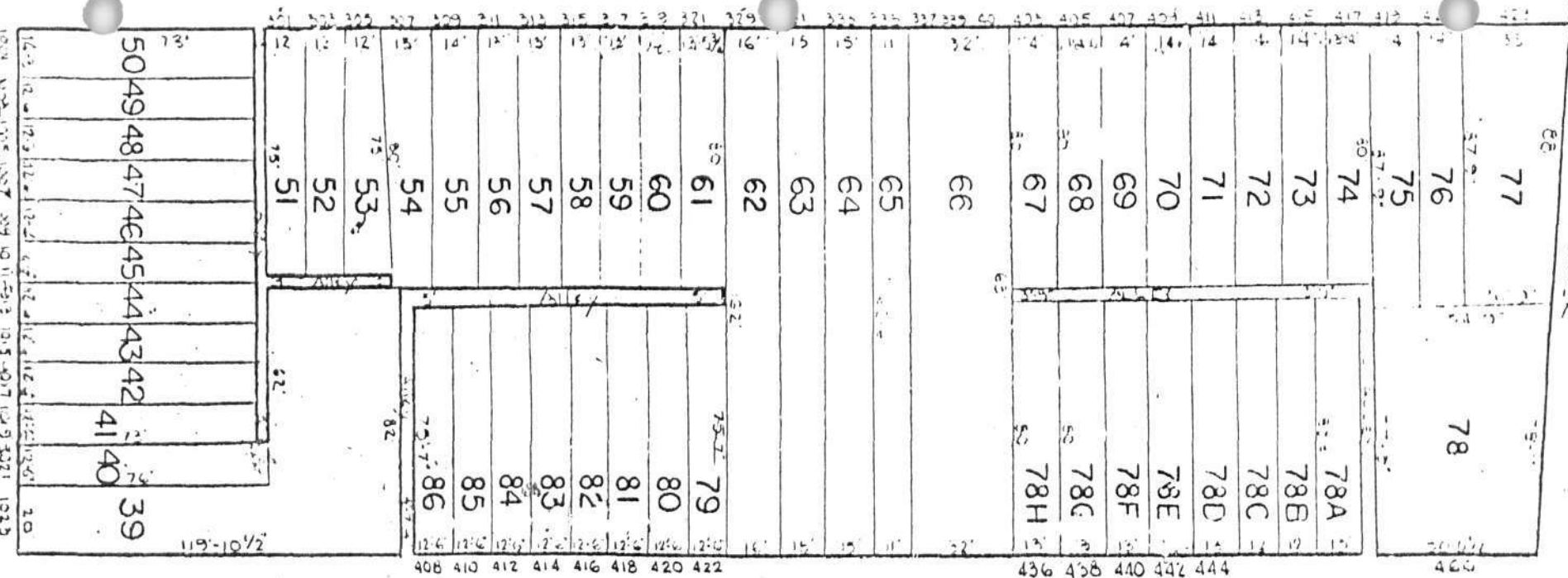
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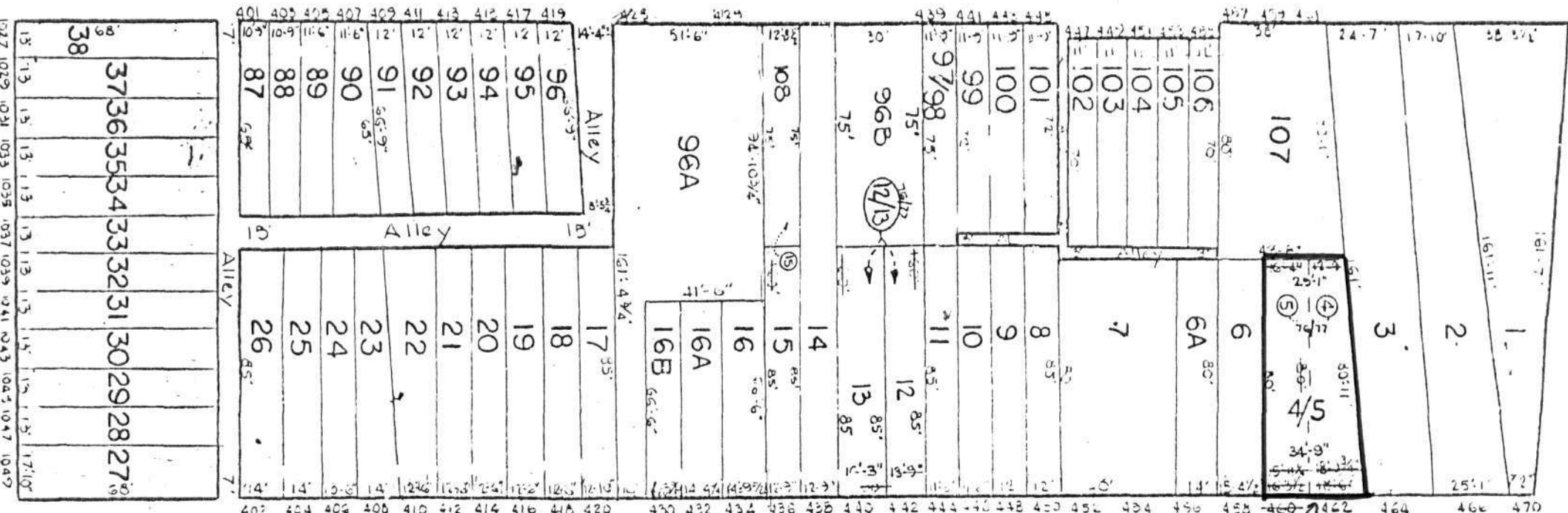
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SIDE

ALLEY



GRINDALL



RIVERSIDE

AVE.

E. CROSS

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Block 1915 Lots 004
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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460-462 E. Cross St.

M.E.H.

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South elevation